

EMSCC Safety

MINUTES

July 20, 2023, 1 p.m.

Microsoft Teams meeting

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Present: Michael Bentley, Jim Etzin, Joni Harvey, Kevin Henderson, Lisa Martin, Kolby Miller, Ralph Ortiz, Matthew Perala, Nate Potter, Rob Warnemuende, Jeffery White

Absent: Andrea Abbas, Aaron Sogge

BEPESoC: Nicole Babb, Kallie Piette, Emily Bergquist

Guests: Angela Madden

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call – see below.**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Introductions and summary of membership – all**
 - Roll call was taken and everyone introduced themselves.
5. **Welcome back to the committee – Emily Bergquist**
 - Emily Bergquist welcomed everyone back to the committee after a year hiatus. This committee is now an official subcommittee as voted on by the EMSCC.
6. **Safety topics**
 - **Vehicle/roadway/transport including OHSP information:**
 - Emily Bergquist advised that the EMS office did receive a grant to fund a crash injury prevention position. The grant funds may also be used to reimburse agencies for safety equipment related to crashes and roadways. The group discussed possibilities for the safety committee to provide tools and data examples to aid with response/staging education, as well as toolkit ideas. Kolby Miller suggested community best practices. The group also discussed codes tied to responses, consistency, category priority lists, and education on those topics.
 - **Mental health/peer support**
 - Emily Bergquist informed the group of the speakers who will be at the [2023 Systems of Care Conference, September 27-28, 2023](#) and the [Yellow rose campaign training](#) this fall for office staff

- There is a [first responder behavior health conference](#) in Marquette August 24-25, 2023.
- The group discussed access to mental health professionals who are specifically educated for EMS professionals and education on the transition of peer support to mental health professionals.
- **Additional items from group**
 - **Motion to nominate Kolby Miller for EMSCC Safety Subcommittee Chair (White, Harvey). Approved.**
 - Emily Bergquist and Kolby Miller will work together on providing a list of topics for the group to prioritize.
- 7. **Meeting cadence discussion**
 - The group discussed monthly meetings at this same date and time, which will be the third Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. This date is tentatively the monthly date picked.
 - Please contact [Jim Etzin](#) for Rescue Task Force information.
- 8. **Adjourn – Motion to adjourn the meeting (Ortiz, Martin). Approved.** The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.
- 9. **Next Meeting: August 17, 2023, at 1 p.m.**